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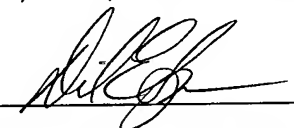
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Sir:

In response to the "Notification of Missing Requirements..." dated April 3, 2002 (copy enclosed), the required Declaration was sent to the Patent Office on February 14, 2002. A copy of our transmittal and the Declaration is enclosed. The \$130.00 to cover the late filing fee surcharge for the Declaration was included in the filing fee sent on January 25, 2002. Accordingly, all the missing parts of the application have been filed and no further action is required.

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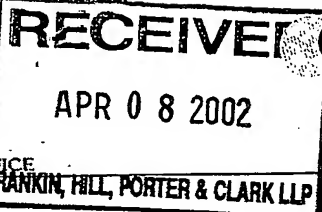
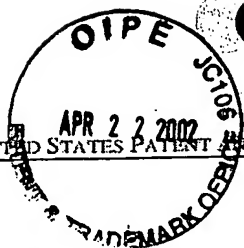
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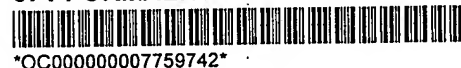
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- U.S. Basic National Fees
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- Preliminary Amendments

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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Applicant encloses herewith the required Declaration for the above-identified application. The \$130.00 to cover the late filing fee surcharge for the enclosed declaration was included with the filing fee sent on January 25, 2002.

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